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THE WEEK'S NEWS TERSELY OUTLINED

An Epitome of the Most Important
Events at Home and Abroad
the Past Week.

NORTH, EAST, WEST, SOUTH.

What Congress is Doing, Together
With Latest Developments in the
Internal Troubles in Russia, and
Items Collected from Important Happenings
all over the World.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES.

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THE SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

Every day is a "hot" one in the Russian capital, where it is said that the situation is becoming more and more dangerous. The Russian government is facing a serious crisis, and the people are growing restless.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

John A. Tamm, chief of the circuit court in Chicago, and for eight years chief of the supreme court, is charged in twenty-five indictments, returned by the Cook county grand jury, with embezzlement, perjury, and forgery.

Fire in the heart of the silk and linen manufacturing district of New York city caused a loss of \$250,000 to Charles S. Loughlin & Sons, 211 Broadway, and Bernard Uffner & Co., 101 Broadway.

Fire destroyed the Union elevator in East 181 street, with nearly a million pounds of grain, seven residences, three saloons and boarding houses, one hotel, a stable and 250 tons of horses and a large number of freight cars. The loss is estimated at \$1,500,000. It was the biggest fire in East St. Louis ever had.

James Schuler, convicted at Brazil, Ind., of the murder of Heston Caldwell, at Golden Knobs, was given a life sentence.

A body that has been almost positively identified as that of Mark Smith, of Rockford, Ill., has been recovered on the shore of Vancouver island, near the wreck of the Valerian.

A successful trip was made across the English channel to France by a balloon that started from London.

George C. Smith, one of the most prominent merchants of Kansas City, Mo., died after an illness of five months' duration, aged 58 years.

Louis Becker, member of the firm of Becker & Degen, live stock brokers at the Sioux City (Ia.) stock yards, has been arrested on the charge of embezzling \$7,200 from a client.

Bank Maxwell, Mudge Henshaw, Nat. Hines and Bob Calvin, Cherokee Indians, have been arrested in the Cherokee nation, charged with robbing the first national bank at Owasso, I. T., of \$2,000 by wrecking the vault.

Maj. Henry A. Norton, a prominent member of the G. A. R., died of Bright's disease at Minneapolis, Minn.

Egbert Whitaker, the nestor of the Uster county (New York) bar, died at Saugerties, aged 90 years. He began his legal practice at Des Moines, Ia.

The Japanese government expects to increase the tonnage of her navy to 400,000 tons by the end of the fiscal year 1907-8.

The collieries throughout the anthracite region in Pennsylvania have received orders to operate full capacity from now on until April. A number of washeries in the Schuylkill field, that have been closed, have resumed on full time.

A report from Paris says that the countess de Castellane has had her husband's conduct watched of late, with the result that she has decided to return to America. Maitre Cruppi is said to have been instructed to institute divorce proceedings, in which case a sensational trial would be certain.

The foreign newspapers published at Hong Kong, Shanghai and Tien Tsin continue to dwell with apprehension upon the anti-foreign trouble, but Pekin gives no sign of any hostile feeling towards foreigners. The relations between the court and the legations remain cordial.

Lady Grey, wife of Sir Edward Grey, the British secretary for foreign affairs, died of concussion of the brain, the result of being thrown from her trap at Easingham, Northumberland.

Rev. Reuben A. Torrey and Charles M. Alexander, the well-known evangelists, have inaugurated a three months' mission in Philadelphia. Great interest is manifested.

All the buildings of the home for the aged in Rennes, France, were destroyed by fire, and a number of the inmates lost their lives. Three women died from fright.

Father Gilbert Simon and three students—Case Hannin, of Champagne, Charles Reuter, of Chicago, and Frank Christie, of St. Louis—of St. Bede's college near La Salle, Ill., were drowned in Hickman's slough, where they had gone to "kate" Kluge, other students were rescued.

Dr. William F. Meyer shot and instantly killed his brother, Joseph M. Meyer, in St. Louis. The latter, while intoxicated, threatened the lives of his youngest mother and sister, and the doctor shot at his alleged in their and his own defense.

As the result of agitation of the question of divorce, public printing, and without any constitutional action, a prospective revenue of a million dollars a year is already in sight.

The court here at Panama, according to recent accounts, caused a loss of \$250,000, with \$70,000 insurance. Four hundred persons were re-deported.

The cathedral of Paris are making the most determined resistance to the reform of the church property law. The commissioners are not withstanding, reinforced with bayonets, to make the argument war.

Owing to want of confidence in the present Moroccan representatives at Algiers, who disagree as to how to deal with the European delegates, the senate yesterday sending Ben Slimane, foreign minister, to the other side.

A notable dinner was rendered the visiting Chinese commissioners, under the auspices of the various missionary boards, at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York. Hon. John W. Foster presided. Eight hundred men and women were seated about the tables.

Fire destroyed the Lodi goods factory of S. J. Lodi & Co. and 21 dwellings, near 100th street in Cleveland, O., involving a loss of \$120,000. Of the 200 persons employed, many ran from the building without their street garments, in order to escape the flames.

Unless some means of adjustment is found, meanwhile, 50,000 members of the United Mine Workers of America will inaugurate a gigantic strike April 1, all efforts at adjustment with the operators have failed.

Thomas W. Bell, who was postmaster at La Crosse, Minn., for 40 consecutive years—1879 to 1899—died at La Crosse, Wis., aged 82 years. He held the record for long and continuous service.

Mrs. W. E. Carey, wife of the first manumitter, has purchased a home at Hope, N. Y., and will reside there permanently.

A treaty of peace has been arranged between the rival gangs in Chinatown, New York city, which it is hoped, will put an end to the reign of terror that has prevailed there for a long time.

At the sale of the Henry C. Deany library in Boston a set of the first four folios of Shakespeare, containing the history, tragedies and comedies, printed in 4-8s in 1623 and 1645, was bought by Fred W. Morris of New York for \$2,500.

Peter McAdell, of Dover, N. H., a civil engineer and general railroad contractor, known all over the United States, died at Kansas City, Mo., of pneumonia, aged 46 years.

William Clark charged with the murder of Leroy Sumner, was acquitted at Dubuque, Ia.

The monthly statement of government receipts and expenditures shows that the deficit of a year ago of over \$28,500,000 has been reduced to \$1,400,000, with the prospect of the entire amount being wiped out within the next 30 days.

Maj.-Gen. Henry C. Corbin is en route home from the Philippines, and will succeed Gen. Gates in the rank of lieutenant general. He will assume command of the northern division of the army, with headquarters in St. Louis.

Three men lost their lives and 55 were more or less seriously injured—principally by suffocation—as the result of a fire on board the transport Meade, at San Francisco, on the eve of sailing for Manila with troops and stores. Nearly all of the injured were members of the San Francisco fire department. The property loss was nominal.

A formal motion has been filed in the case of Albert T. Patrick, convicted of the murder of William Marsh Rice, with the district attorney in New York, on the ground of newly discovered evidence. The motion is made returnable February 9.

The supreme court of Missouri has affirmed the sentence of death passed upon F. Seymour Barrington, convicted of the murder of James P. McCann, his friend and benefactor, and has named March 15 as the day of execution at Clayton.

Mrs. Charles T. Yerkes, aged 50, the widow of a month, with a fortune of \$7,500,000, and Wilson Mizner, aged 29, son of a former United States minister to Mexico and Guatemala, and a resident of San Francisco, are said to have been married in New York.

The Medical Society of the State of New York celebrated the centennial of its organization at Albany. Ex-President Cleveland was one of the speakers.

Paul Dresser, who wrote "On the Banks of the Wabash" and "The Blue and the Gray," died at the home of his sister in New York. He was born in Terre Haute, Ind., 47 years ago.

THE WHITE RIVER COUNTRY

The New El Dorado Now Open to the Public By Completion of White River Line.

St. Louis, Feb. 3.—The long-expected and much-talked-of opening of the White River Country, between Carthage, Mo., and Newport, Ark., is now an accomplished fact, through trains in each direction on the new White River Line having been inaugurated on January 21.

In connection with the Tide Water Line along the Mississippi river to the Gulf, this marks the completion of a new route between the Northwest and the Southeast of great and growing importance.

The commercial invasion by the railway of mountain fastnesses in the White River Country, in Missouri and Arkansas, and of the lowland river district of Southeastern Arkansas and Louisiana, has not appeared feasible until the present day.

With the accomplished fact of a through line, a variety of landscape and social conditions of the most diverse character is brought to view.

The products of the mine (coal, zinc, lead, manganese, onyx and building stones)—irrepressible quarries of fine marble of almost every known variety—of the forest (oak, pine, walnut, ash, yew and cedar lumber) farms in the valleys (cotton, and the various temperate zone grains and grasses), and the orchards of the upland (peaches, apples, pears, berries, and the fruit of the vine), with the sports of the chase, and of angling in lake and stream, are now offered to the enterprising who may plan a shorter or longer abode in this new country.

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GREATER STOPPING POWER

War Department Has Decided to Go Back to Heavy Caliber Revolvers.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The war department has decided to go back to the heavy caliber for army revolvers and to adopt a cartridge proposed by the ordnance bureau carrying a bullet of 45-caliber to replace the 38-caliber now in use.

The reason for the change is that it is desired to have a bullet with greater stopping power than now in use.

Opportunity also is given for a decided innovation in the type of revolver. The ordnance bureau has invited manufacturers of pistols to enter into a competition and to submit types of revolvers of the automatic kind or along the lines of those now used by the army. All weapons submitted, however, must be made for the use of the 45-caliber cartridge which has been adopted.

The competition will take place some months hence.

WANTS HER DOWER RIGHTS

Attorney Reported Preparing Big Contest for Mrs. Mary Adelaide Moore Yerkes-Mizner.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Attorney Clarence Kellogg, former counsel for Charles T. Yerkes, is reported as preparing for a big will contest.

Mrs. Mary Adelaide Moore Yerkes-Mizner, widow of the traction promoter and bride of the youthful Californian, Wilson Mizner, contemplates a fight to secure her dower rights in the \$15,000,000 estate, instead of a meager \$200,000 cash and a life interest in one-half of the property, as provided by the will.

WHILE THE SHERIFF SLEPT

Two Prisoners, On the Way to the Penitentiary, Make a "Get-Away."

Bloomington, Ill., Feb. 4.—Two prisoners, Charles Frankel and Arthur Willey, from Macdonough county, being taken to Joliet under two years' sentence for assault, escaped from Sheriff Charles Taylor early Saturday while the latter was asleep in a passenger coach on sidetrack at Dwight.

They were handcuffed together, and have been traced as far as a country schoolhouse where they built a fire.

FOUR MET DEATH IN A FIRE

Father, a Day-Old Babe, and Two Other Children—Mother Escapes Through Window.

Prentice, Wis., Feb. 4.—Fire, resulting from the explosion of a lamp in the home of Grant Stewart, Saturday morning, destroyed the house and cost four lives.

Mrs. Stewart broke through a window and escaped. Her husband, a babe born Friday, and two other children were burned to death. Mrs. Stewart suffered severely from exposure to the cold and may die.

PROMOTION FOR GEN. GRANT

Will Be Made a Major-General by the President On February 9.

Washington, Feb. 4.—The president has selected Brig.-Gen. Frederick Dent Grant, commanding the department of the east, with headquarters at Governor's Island, New York, to be promoted to the grade of major-general to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Maj.-Gen. Sumner, February 6.

To Prove Field Will Coddell.

Liverpool, Feb. 4.—Among the passengers on board the Cunard line steamer Lucania, which sailed Saturday from here for New York, are Second Secretary Craig Wadsworth of the American embassy here, and Dr. Samuel Kirschbaum, one of the clergymen of St. Margaret's church, Westminster, who are on their way to Chicago to prove the execution of a codicil to the will of the late Marshall Field, presumably making provision for his wife. They witnessed the signing of the will.

SOCIAL LEADER A SUICIDE

MRS. LILBURN McNAIR, OF ST. LOUIS, SHOTS HERSELF.

She Had Been Afflicted With Nervous Melancholia For the Past Six Months.

St. Louis, Feb. 6.—Mrs. Lilburn G. McNair, society leader and champion woman golf player of the west, shot and killed herself at her home, 4629 Berlin avenue, Monday.

Mrs. McNair had been under treatment for nervous melancholia for six months. Her husband, a prominent real estate dealer, had been planning to take her east for her health and they were to start at the end of the current week.

Mrs. McNair left home at 5:15 a. m., after eating breakfast with Mrs. McNair and was on his way to his office when his wife shot herself. Shortly after reaching his place of business, he received a telephone message that something had happened at his home. He hurried there, to find his wife mortally wounded. She died without regaining consciousness.

Mrs. McNair had two children, a 13-year-old son, and a 10-year-old daughter. Mrs. McNair was formerly Miss Minerva Primus of Belleville, Ill. Lilburn G. McNair is president of the McNair-Harris Realty Co., and a director of the Lincoln Trust Co. He was born to wealth, and both he and his wife have always been prominent in high social circles. In everything, from the elegance of dress to minute details in the appointments of their home, they have been patterned after by their followers in society, in which their wealth and breeding made them natural leaders.

The coroner's office was notified immediately after the tragedy, and arrangements have been made for the inquest.

AFTER THE CHIEF'S SCALP

St. Louis Police Board Suspend Chief Kely On His Failure to Resign as Requested.

St. Louis, Feb. 6.—Chief of Police Kely was suspended by the board of police commissioners, Monday afternoon, after he had refused to resign when requested, and had sent a letter to the board demanding that he be put on trial on charges to be preferred by the board. When first asked to resign Kely asked that he be made a captain, but insisted that this could not be considered. After his suspension he turned his shield and office over to Assistant Chief Gillaspie and left police headquarters.

Two charges will be preferred against Kely. One will be based on the testimony of Sgt. Dorsey, who was dismissed after he had sworn that he made a false report at Kely's suggestion, and the other will deal with transfers made by Kely. President Stewart said the police board did not believe that Kely had done his duty as chief of police, but that no charges of graft had been made against him.

It is intimated that Chief of Detectives Desmond may also be asked to resign.

Eight detectives and eighteen sergeants and patrolmen are booked to come on the carpet in the near future, most of them charged with grafting.

TERMINAL MAKES ANSWER

The Terminal Railroad Association of St. Louis Makes Answer to Government Suit.

St. Louis, Feb. 6.—The answer of the Terminal Railroad Association to the suit for injunction and damages brought by the government was filed Monday afternoon, in the office of the clerk of the United States circuit court.

It is also the answer for the 14 individual railroads in the Terminal association and the officers named in the suit. It consists of a book of 82 printed pages.

A general denial is entered to all the vital allegations in the petition. Admissions are made only in reference to unimportant matters.

WRECKED BY EXPLOSION

Widespread Destruction Caused at Hartsville, Wyo., by a Powder House Explosion.

Hartsville, Wyo., Feb. 6.—By the explosion of one of the four powder houses at the iron mills, Monday, the shaft house, blacksmith shop and other buildings of the Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. were demolished and nearly every pane of glass in the town shattered. A number of houses were unroofed and several lifted from their foundations. The explosion followed a fire of unknown origin.

An Old Piker Dead.

Louisiana, Mo., Feb. 6.—Judge William A. Gunn died at his home in Louisiana, Monday, at the age of 78 years. Besides a wife, he leaves a son, Marion A. Gunn, and daughter, Mrs. Eleanor Rosser, and six grandchildren, all in St. Louis. Judge Gunn was one of the old settlers of Pike county.

Girl's Experience In Chicago.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—Miss Grace McKelena, aged 22, of Bloomington, Ill., was gagged and bound hand and foot to a chair in a room at 135 Locust street and robbed of \$400. She accuses two men who advertised for chorus girls at \$10 a week. She came to Chicago in answer to the advertisement.

Hotels Burned At Timpson, Tex.

Timpson, Tex., Feb. 6.—Fire, which started in the Jennings hotel, destroyed that structure, the Capital hotel and several smaller buildings, the total loss being about \$25,000.

STATE HAPPENINGS.

Railroads in Missouri.

Jefferson City—The report of the board of railroad and warehouse commissioners, not as yet ready for the printer, shows that the total mileage of the state is 7,820.31 miles. The new mileage constructed and operated in 1905 was 320.32. The commissioners note that the volume of business has greatly increased during the last year. The maximum freight-rate bill passed by the last legislature is held in abeyance by an order of Judges Phillips and McPherson of the federal court. No opportunity has yet been afforded the commissioners to test its provisions touching lower freight rates, as specified by the law. Former complaints touching inadequate passenger service have practically all been remedied. Rates on flour, in lots of 10,000 pounds and more, have been materially reduced. The same is true of mill logs not for export, mill stuffs, including feed of all grades, coal oil, petroleum, gasoline, lubricating oils, melons and railroad ties. There has been some difficulty in adjusting oil rates, but the commissioners express the opinion that this item will speedily be settled in accordance with the rates of the board. Orders also have been established during the year for a material reduction of express rates, with the assurance that the schedule of the board will be complied with by the various express companies doing business in the state.

Arrest Frederick Mueller's Death.

Clayton—Coroner Koch of St. Louis county turned over to Prosecuting Attorney Johnson a transcript of the evidence taken at the inquest in the death of Frederick Mueller, held at Grover. The finding of the jury was that Mueller "came to his death by arsenic poison administered by the hands of some person unknown to the jury." So far as the coroner's investigation was concerned, no attempt was made to fix responsibility for the sudden death of the farmer, who died 16 days after his marriage at night on a railroad track to Mrs. Annie Mitchell, a widow 16 years his junior, whom he had seen only twice before the wedding. Mrs. Mueller, ill at her home at Pittman, was not summoned to appear at the inquest.

Eaton Escapes Gallows.

Jefferson City—Louis Eaton, confined in the St. Louis jail for safekeeping, and who was to have been hanged at Kennett, February 12, will escape the gallows, the governor having commuted the death sentence to 99 years in the penitentiary. This is the case in which Eaton's attorney petitioned for clemency, writing to the governor that his client had not been defended as he should have been, as he had had but two weeks' practice in his profession when it took the case. Eaton killed Frank Huff in a quarrel about women.

Barshall Charged With Patricide.

Liberty—John W. Barshall has been bound over to circuit court on the charge of first-degree murder. Barshall is charged with killing his father, whose body was found in his store, southwest of here, January 20, with the throat cut and the skull crushed. The accused man claimed that his father had committed suicide.

Thorrington's Death Unexplained.

Memphis—An inquest was held over the body of Dr. William O. Thorrington. The evidence brought out did not show conclusively how he met death, except that he was shot in the head. Who did it has not been determined. No reason was developed why he should want to take his life.

Carthage to Have \$10,000 Church.

Carthage—The First Presbyterian congregation has decided to erect a new \$10,000 church. The edifice will be built of the famous Carthage building stone, and will stand in the park across the street from the \$125,000 stone high school building recently completed.

Clash Over Fair Dates.

Jefferson City—There is a clash of dates for the state fairs of Illinois and Missouri, both claiming the week of September 28-October 4 for its exhibition. The date was assigned to Missouri by the American Association of Fairs.

Chillicothe Votes Water Bonds.

Chillicothe—At the election held here for the purpose of bonding the city for \$1,000,000 to own its own water and light plant, the proposition carried 5 to 1. The city has been lighted by a private corporation for 20 years.

Two Killed in Boiler Explosion.

Carrollton—The boiler exploded at a grist mill ten miles north of here. Warren Swank was blown to shreds, and W. H. Harford, the owner, was so badly injured that he died within a few hours.

Williams Wins Postmastership.

Washington, D. C.—The name of V. T. Williams has been sent to the United States senate as postmaster at Stansberry, Mo. This will end a long-drawn-out controversy and contest from that place.

Scheming to Save Barrington.

Clayton—An attempt will be made to take the case of F. Seymour Barrington, the condemned murderer of James P. McCann, to the federal courts.

To Hang For Sweetheart's Murder.

Kansas City—Austin Francis, convicted of the murder of his sweetheart, Winona Newton, aged 15, was sentenced to be hanged March 15.

Death of Contractor McArdle.

Kansas City—Peter McArdle, of Dover, N. H., a civil engineer and general railroad contractor, known all over the United States, died here.

WALL STREET IN DANGER.

Frenzied Financiers Inflate Gaseous Stocks and Howl for More Money.

The leaders of "frenzied finance" in Wall street are intent on inflating the currency, for they find they have not enough money available to speculate with. A great panic is predicted by Jacob H. Schiff, head of the banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., unless congress provides for more currency. He favors a currency based on commercial paper, and does not approve of the plan of Secretary Shaw, which he declares would aid speculation rather than legitimate business. Mr. Schiff, who is one of the Rockefeller crowd of financial princes, has been foremost in watering the stocks of railroad and industrial corporations. Inflation is the principal business of these frenzied financiers, and they have inflated the Wall street balloon with such a volume of gaseous stocks and bonds that they now find it difficult to hold down their creations.

There appears to be plenty of money for legitimate business, but not enough for the stock gamblers. The volume of business all over the country is greater than ever before, and no producer, be he miner, manufacturer, or farmer, but can get money for his produce at the market price. The currency of the United States has been increased 40% per cent. since 1896, or nearly one billion dollars in nine years, for whereas it was \$21.42 in 1896, it is now \$31.40 per capita. Of this vast sum nearly one-fourth was created by the act of congress of March, 1899, which allowed the national banks to issue currency to the full amount of their deposited bonds and to new banks that have been started, and the other three-quarters is from the increased output of gold.

Yet with all this inflation, the frenzied financiers of Wall street are calling for more money, and their dupes who speculate there have been paying as high as 100 per cent. for money to carry the stocks they buy, some of which are not intrinsically worth the margin deposited. The facts are that the financial princes, or pirates, whichever view is taken of them, have used all the surplus money of the New York banks and trust companies to buy the stocks and bonds that have been offered on the stock exchange so as to advance the price, or at all events, not allow prices to sag, in the hope that the dear public—known as the lambs in Wall street parlance—will eventually come into the fold and be shorn, by buying the inflated stocks.

It really is a shame that congress does not pass a law allowing Mr. Schiff and the other Wall street bankers to issue money, with their inflated and watered stocks as security. If such "wild-cat" currency could be circulated only in Wall street, there would be no great harm done, except to the frenzied financiers and their speculating dupes, but even such, like other vicious people, must be protected by wise laws from their own depravity for the general welfare.

As the Republican party has done everything possible for their friends, the frenzied financiers and trust magnates, even to depositing in their banks all the free money in the United States treasury, that could be spared, it is no wonder that they fear a panic is impending, for the finger on the wall is writing their doom and that their kingdom is to be ended by the Democracy—then honest men will get their due.

POINTS AND OPINIONS.

—Though badly handicapped by its age and heft, the sugar trust is doing its best to give an impersonation of an infant industry in dire peril. —Chicago News.

—More crude oil was produced last year than ever before; also, it is understood on the quiet, more refined methods for the enlargement of dividends. —Indianapolis News.

—While Secretary Taft is losing flesh, some of the anti-administration senators are actually getting fat, and they are not riding horseback, either. —Washington Post.

—Secretary Root says that "the making of a system of reciprocity treaties does not appear to have the elements of eternal life." Certainly not so long as President Roosevelt is indifferent. —N. Y. World.

—Secretary Root and Secretary Shaw seem to have it all figured up that in 1908 Secretary Taft will be too busy digging that canal to have any time to run for president. —Atlanta Journal.

—The demands of the Canadian manufacturers for higher protective duties, which marked the resumption of the Canadian tariff commission's hearings at Montreal and Toronto during the early part of November, have brought forth an altogether unexpected protest from the farmers of the province of Ontario. This protest against protection, is almost universal so far as the agricultural interests are concerned, the tobacco growers being almost the only exception. —N. Y. Post.

—Japan's protectorate over Korea is to terminate "when it is recognized that Korea has attained national strength." That will be about the same time that the Philippines are admitted to the American union as free and sovereign states. —Philadelphia Inquirer.

—As a cowboy, a bear hunter, a rough rider and now a Red Man, President Roosevelt is certainly running the gamut of the strenuous passion. He will need the experience of all combined, though, for his new career as a trust hunter. —Baltimore Journal.